

## E. REHKOPF LEAVES CITY AND CAN NOT BE SERVED

**Creditors Sue Him Personally  
And Try to Get Service  
On Him.**

**PROBABLY WENT TO MEMPHIS**

**Bankruptcy Proceedings Will Not Be Re-  
sisted, It Is Understood.**

**A BATTLE ROYAL IN THE COURTS**

Mr. E. Rehkopf, head of the assigned E. Rehkopf Saddlery company, is out of the city, having left last Tuesday, and creditors are seeking his whereabouts in their anxiety to get personal service on him. It is believed he is in Memphis.

The first knowledge that a suit was filed against him personally by W. W. Mooney & Sons company, alleging he is practically the whole concern.

The latest information is that the involuntary bankruptcy proceedings will not be resisted by counsel for the assigned concern, in which case all the affairs go into the United States court.

Many leading law firms in this city are now aligned on one side or the other in the case and a battle royal will take place when the struggle for the property in warehouse is precipitated in court.

The assignee has filed his schedule of assets and liabilities, showing a balance of \$85,236.35 on the wrong side of the ledger.

In a suit filed this morning in the E. Rehkopf Saddlery case, Mr. E. Rehkopf is named as defendant and not the E. Rehkopf Saddlery company. The W. W. Mooney & Sons company, a corporation of Columbus, Indiana, tanners, sue E. Rehkopf personally, through their attorneys Wheeler, Hughes & Berry for \$9,016.87. In the suit, it is alleged that E. Rehkopf is the principal owner in the stock of the E. Rehkopf Saddlery company and that what little stock is held by others, is held by dummy stockholders. That E. Rehkopf personally visited their factory in Indiana and represented to them that his company was solvent with \$90,000 surplus. That on the strength of these representations they sold him a bill of goods amounting to \$12,500 and have delivered to him the amount sued for, \$9,016.87, and that he has not paid, nor his company, any part of the bill.

In view of the fact that he is the principal stockholder, that he personally bought the goods; that he knew at the time the company was not solvent; and that he made those representations in apparent good faith by which the plaintiff judged him, they ask for the amount mentioned, with interest and for the costs of bringing the suit.

This probably is the principal development of the day and brings Mr. Rehkopf personally into the case in a way that he has not been heretofore. Papers cannot be served on Mr. Rehkopf for it is said he is out of the city, it is thought, in Memphis.

Next Thursday, the E. Rehkopf Saddlery company will be declared a bankrupt in the higher court at Louisville. The attorneys for the defendant will not oppose the petition of involuntary bankruptcy.

Gradually the case is assuming proportions, which will make it the biggest one in a long time. Many of the principal law firms in the city are now engaged for the defendant, the creditors, and other parties in the case. The biggest fight will be around the question whether the American-German National bank may retain possession of the goods pledged that bank by the E. Rehkopf Saddlery company as security for loans. The creditors will attempt to have the goods thrown into the general assets of the company.

When the company is adjudged a bankrupt, the case will then go before Judge Bagby, the schedule of assets and liabilities will be filed and a meeting of the creditors called. The case will be decided by Judge Bagby, but it is probable that neither side will quit till the higher courts have decided the question.

**Schedule Is Filed.**  
Richard J. Barber, assignee of the E. Rehkopf Saddlery company, has filed in the county court his schedule of liabilities and assets of the concern. The statement shows that the firm has assets of \$69,600, while its outstanding indebtedness is \$154,836.35. Of the assets \$41,211 is in stock. The other \$28,389 is accounts. The schedule does not include as assets the \$30,000 worth of stock that has been placed by the Rehkopf concern in the public warehouse of W. S. O'Brien, and for which the American-German national bank holds receipts pledged for about \$25,000 the Rehkopf concern borrowed from the bank.

Deputy Sheriff Gus Rogers has assigned E. Rehkopf Saddlery company, said he would support the Democratic state ticket with the exception of Hearst. "I will continue to oppose Hearst and Charley Murphy with all my strength," he said. The mayor's statement, which was given to all the city hall reporters, is as follows:

**EIGHT THOUSAND  
HOMES DESTROYED  
IN CITY OF MOBILE.**

Mobile, Sept. 29.—The gulf hurricane practically destroyed Mobile. Provisions are about exhausted and the poor are starving. Eight thousand homes are in ruins. Mobile is a city of desolation. Damage to the city will reach five millions; to surrounding country, four millions. Beaches are strewn with dead.

**CAN'T STAND FOR HEARST.**

**Mayor McClellan Is a Democrat But  
Draws Line.**

New York, Sept. 29.—Mayor McClellan, in an authorized interview today, said he would support the Democratic state ticket with the exception of Hearst. "I will continue to oppose Hearst and Charley Murphy with all my strength," he said. The mayor's statement, which was given to all the city hall reporters, is as follows:

"As I said yesterday, I am a Democrat, and accept the action of the Democratic convention. I will be a Democrat when my party has a name but as a Democrat and as mayor of this town, I am unalterably opposed to Charles W. Murphy and to everything that he stands for."

**Recognize Bryan as Leader.**

Honolulu, Sept. 29.—The Democratic territorial convention in its platform declares that W. J. Bryan is the acknowledged leader of the party. After expressing approval of the Roosevelt administration, the home rulers endorse George H. Carter, the present incumbent, for governor.

**Child Labor Law Goes Into Effect.**

New York, Sept. 29.—The amendment to the state labor law prohibiting the employment of children under sixteen in any line of calling or business after this afternoon will go into effect next Monday. The new law, it is stated, will be vigorously enforced.

**Goes to See Gunnery Practice.**

Oyster Bay, Sept. 29.—President Roosevelt left aboard the Mayflower today for Cape Cod bay to observe gunnery practice of the warships of the Atlantic fleet. Assistant Secretary Lata accompanied him.

**Inventor of Airbrake Dies.**

Portland, Me., Sept. 29.—George H. Poor, the inventor of the airbrake generally used on American railroads, died today at the age of 61 years.

**CAPTURED**

**WAS YOUTH WHO ESCAPED  
FROM RIVERSIDE HOSPITAL.**

**Broke Through Bars of Prison Ward,  
But Will Serve Out His Jail  
Sentence.**

Unable to stay away from Paducah, Willie Alexander, alias Couch Eggleston, who several weeks ago escaped from the prison ward of Riverside hospital, was captured last night by Patrolman Emile Goulioux, and locked up in the city jail to serve out the remainder of a fine imposed for disorderly conduct in the red light district. The boy was taken to the hospital for illness that developed after he was arrested. He was with Cleo Anderson the night the latter killed John Mix in a red light saloon.

**After Sugar Trust.**  
Philadelphia, Sept. 29.—As a result of the failure of the real estate trust company, Receiver Earl will enter suit against the sugar trust for \$5,000,000.

**Indiana Nominees Leave State.**  
Washington, Ind., Sept. 29.—Today the Democratic and Republican candidates for treasurer of Martin county left on the same train for the west. They will not return until after the November election, both candidates having entered into a written agreement to remain west of the Mississippi river. Martin county is infested with political buzzards. To escape these fellows the rival candidates for county treasurer decided on the state.

**It is the daily average circulation of a newspaper that the shrewd advertiser investigates—  
"High Water" days don't count.  
The Sun's daily average last month was 3940.**

**The Rev. T. J. Newell returned this morning from a visit in Texas.**

## OVER THE PALACE WAVES OUR FLAG

**Taft Announces Control of the  
Cuban Government.**

**Issues Proclamation Calling on All  
Good Citizens to Aid in Restoring  
Order.**

**ORDERS TROOPS MADE READY**

Havana, Sept. 29.—The first Cuban republic is dead. Falling utterday in his efforts to reconcile the warring factions of the infant republic, Secretary Taft, special commissioner of the United States, ran up the stars and stripes on the palace this morning, and declared himself provisional military governor. United States forces will now stamp out the trouble and work of reorganizing the Cuban government will begin immediately.

Secretary Taft's assumption of the reins of government was without martial display. Marines and sailors, by whom the city will be guarded until the army of occupation arrives, will not be landed until tomorrow. The prospects are that complete quiet will ensue. Taft has ample force at hand to protect Havana.

Secretary Taft issued a proclamation to the people of Cuba today, relative to taking charge of the Cuban government. He says until further notice the heads of departments of the central government will report to him for instructions. He asks all good citizens of Cuba to assist in the work of restoring order, tranquility and confidence.

Rumors of the wildest nature are circulating throughout the city. Moderate leaders are reported as preparing to take to the woods to organize forces to oppose American occupation.

**Cables for Troops.**

Washington, Sept. 29.—Secretary Taft cabled Chief of Staff Bell today: "Make immediate preparation to send army of occupation to Cuba." General Bell immediately wired President Roosevelt asking for instructions. The first expedition was ordered mobilized at Newport-News, Va., with 5,600 men.

**SEVEN KILLED**

**FIFTEEN INJURED IN PENNSYLVANIA  
WRECK.**

**Train Strikes Rear of Passenger and  
Near Station of Edington—  
One Identified.**

Jersey City, Sept. 29.—A train, which left here this morning, ran into the rear coach of a Pennsylvania passenger train near Edington, Pa. Railway officials say seven persons were killed and fifteen injured. One of the dead is a Miss Brown of Elizabeth, N. J.

**BREAD FAMINE**

**THREATENED BY STRIKE OF  
BAKERS IN PARIS.**

**Do Not Desire a Day of Rest and Will  
Fight Against Law if It Is  
Enforced.**

Paris, Sept. 29.—Paris is threatened with a bread famine by the strike of bakers. The new law requiring all employees to be allowed one day's rest in seven is directly responsible for the critical situation. Bakers do not want a day of rest and will strike if it is enforced.

**REGISTER NEXT TUESDAY.**

Registration day is next Tuesday, October 2. On that day all voters desiring to participate in the coming municipal election must register. The registration will be held in each precinct at the regular voting place between the hours of 6 a. m. and 9 p. m. It is the duty of every voter to secure a certificate. No citizen can excuse himself, if the election goes contrary to his opinion, if he does not perform this act of citizenship. There will be a full Republican ticket in the field in Paducah this fall, which will appeal to the better element of both parties and will win, if every voter qualifies by registering next Tuesday in his precinct.

## REPUBLICANS TO HAVE CONVENTION

**City Nominations Made on  
Thursday October 11**

**Full Ticket Will Be Named and Com-  
mittee Anticipates Victory  
This Fall.**

**REGISTRATION DAY TUESDAY.**

Republicans will nominate a full city ticket in mass convention Thursday, October 11. This was decided on by the unanimous agreement of the executive committee, which met last night and instructed the chairman to call the convention for 2 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, October 11 in the general council chamber.

There was great enthusiasm evinced at last night's meeting as the committeemen are confident the ticket will win, if all the voters register next Tuesday in their respective precincts.

The decision to put out a full ticket was, without exception, agreed to, and everyone expressed himself as believing that a good candidate for city judge will be elected with the remainder of the ticket. It is probable that those members of the two boards of the general council and the school board, who are willing to make the race again this year, will receive renominations without opposition.

None of the members of the city legislative boards sought nomination the first time, and none of them are actively seeking re-election, but so far only one member has expressed a positive declaration of the nomination. This is Councilman Louis Kolb, of the Third ward. Strenuous efforts are being made to induce him to remain. The records of the boards compose the best platform party leaders can think of adopting, and for this reason it is considered proper to accord the old members renomination.

However, in event any of them withdraw, men of equal standing will be substituted. In the Third ward Mr. Henry Kamleiter, H. S. Wells and W. P. Brainerd are mentioned as possibilities and one of them may be induced to make the race.

Hon. E. W. Bagby and President G. O. McBroom, of the board of councilmen, are mentioned, for city judge.

**Registration Day.**  
Registration day is next Tuesday, and every voter is urged to register on that day. It saves the party organization much trouble and wasted energy. Sometimes it is as difficult to get the voters to register as it is to get them to vote. The one is just as necessary as the other.

The Democratic committee did not meet last night to canvass the vote of the primary and Chairman W. A. Berry has called a meeting for Tuesday night at the city hall.

**IN THE MUD**

**BARNUM'S CIRCUS GOT STUCK IN  
CAIRO, ILL., YESTERDAY.**

**Fulton Date Cancelled and Memphis  
Is Only Southern Stand Before  
Going East.**

Is Cairo muddy?  
Barnum's circus got stalled in the mud in that city yesterday and it took all the elephants and horses and men with the show to get the wagons out of the mire.

Barnum's circus did not perform in Cairo. When the tent pegs were driven into the ground they went down with the ease that gave a significant imitation of quicksand, until something was tied to them. Then they came out of the ground as fast as the canvas tugged in the wind.

Fulton also was cut out of the itinerary and Barnum's show went direct to Memphis. From Memphis the show proceeds east, releasing all its southern dates. The show has been losing about \$7,000 a day for a week or so on account of the bad weather, and insufficient sidings.

Dr. R. E. Hearne has returned from a visit in Nashville Tenn.

**Rain this afternoon and pro-  
bably tonight with cooler Sun-  
day. Fair and cooler in central  
and east portions. The highest  
temperature reached yesterday  
was 75 and the lowest today 66.**

## MILLIONS ARE LOST BY THE HURRICANE

**Pensacola and Mobile Laid Waste By  
Wind And Water While The  
Storm Raged.**

**VELOCITY OF NINETY MILES AN HOUR**

**FIVE TO FIFTY IS ESTIMATE OF  
LOSS OF LIFE ON COAST.**

**Every Church, Hotel, Business House  
Damaged, Mills Swept Away  
By the Flood.**

**RAGED FOR EIGHTEEN HOURS**

Mobile, Ala., Via Meridian, Miss., Sept. 29.—The loss of life is variously estimated at from five to 50 at various points.

Five thousand homes were damaged, business sections were destroyed, and the property loss is placed at over \$3,000,000.

The storm which struck the city Wednesday, midnight, raged for four hours and the wind reached a velocity of 90 miles an hour. The water from Mobile bay was blown into the city by the gale and for a time was seven feet deep in the wholesale business district.

The loss of life is believed to be mainly among negroes, although conditions are so chaotic that definite information is impossible.

Shipping suffered severely. The United States revenue cutter, Alert, seven steamers and many smaller craft, names unknown, it is feared were lost but nothing of a confirming nature can be given at this time. The city has been placed under control of the militia and nobody is permitted on the streets except newspapermen and persons wearing badges.

The chances are that the loss of life on Dauphin Island is heavy as many fishermen lived on the island and other outlying marshy districts from which no tidings have been received.

Suffering in Mobile is severe. The annihilation of transportation facilities has shut off all supplies and unless help reaches Mobile from the outside world soon great distress will result.

Every church in Mobile is damaged though the Christ church cathedral and the St. Francis street Baptist church suffered more than the others. The damage to the Christ church will reach \$40,000 and the St. Francis Street Baptist church \$10,000.

Docks and those of private corporations are fearfully wrecked. The revenue cutter Alert was rammed while in Mobile river by an unknown vessel and sank immediately. Her crew is believed to have escaped.

**All Business Is Suspended.**  
Telegraphic communication is paralyzed, with poor prospects for several days for repairing the lines.

The electric company's street railways and in fact all business has been suspended. Numerous sawmills located in northern and marshy districts have been washed away by terrific waves, or torn to splinters by the wind. Their lumber and timbers are to be seen scattered end over end throughout the city.

The harbor steamer James A. Carnegie, plying between Mobile and the eastern shore, lies beached just across the river and its sides are jammed in and the upper structure blown away.

Much fear is entertained for Fort Morgan, where the government quarantine station is located and many soldiers live.

**Raged for Eighteen Hours.**  
Words cannot describe the terrors of the storm. During the hours between 6 p. m., Thursday and noon, Friday, trees fell and roofs were crushed by the hundreds. Through the streets, carried by the terrific wind, were hurled thousands of pieces of slate and tin roofing, cornices, chimneys and all kinds of debris. Blinds were torn from fastenings and windows smashed as though of tissue paper.

Many people were seriously injured and cut by flying slate and tin.

**Kills Her Insulter.**  
Chicago, Sept. 29.—Armed with a revolver, Irene Spence confronted Samuel Clifton, who was waiting for her with a keen blade, cleaver, and shot him dead on a rear porch of a house in which they both lived. Mrs. Spence made no attempt to escape. She informed the police Clifton insulted her and when she resented he threatened her life.

**Uniform Divorce Law.**  
Another meeting of the national congress on uniform divorce laws will be held in Philadelphia beginning November 13.

**TIDE FROM BAY BACKED FOR  
BLOCKS INTO HEART OF CITY.**

**Sixty Ships There When Storm  
Broke Thursday Night—Many  
Of Them Stranded.**

**LOSS OF LIFE APPREHENDED**

Pensacola, Via Flomation, Ala., Sept. 29.—The worst hurricane to visit this city in its history raged here furiously all yesterday with a stiff gale still blowing. The city presents a wrecked appearance and the damage is estimated at \$5,000,000. The loss of life will be heavy among the marines but thus far only one body has been recovered.

Commencing at 7 o'clock at night the wind blew at 50 miles for three hours and then increased to 65 miles an hour. From that time until morning it remained at about 80 and 90 miles an hour.

Waves from the bay backed into the city for blocks, destroying homes and making rivers out of the street.

When the gale was at its highest this morning and women and children were running frantically about the streets in darkness, an alarm of fire was sounded and this added to the confusion. The fire started in the Pitt mill near the business district and the horses of the fire department refused to go out in the weather. With tin roofs flying about them, trees and wires falling over them, the firemen took their hose wagons by hand and rushed down the streets to the scene and after several hours' work, controlled the blaze.

This afternoon the water rose until the business districts presented almost an indescribable scene.

Of the 50 or 60 big steamers and sailing vessels lying in the harbor only five or six are there now. They have been driven ashore, and the water front is massed with wreckage of steamers and craft of all descriptions. Thirty fishing vessels in port have been destroyed or damaged and the three big fish houses with their wharves are gone.

**Business District.**  
Muscooke wharf and the Commandancia and Tarragona wharves of the Louisville and Nashville railroad are badly damaged. A great iron ship, of two or three thousand tons has been driven not only ashore but has gone through houses a block from the water front.

Every house along the water front for a distance of ten miles has been destroyed and the wonder is that the loss of life is not greater.

Tracks of the Terminal railroad to the navy yards and Barrancas have all been destroyed together with trestles and bridges.

Every business house from the wharf to the Union depot has been unroofed. Many plate-glass windows are broken. Stocks are badly damaged and wires and poles are mixed together. There are no electric lights, cars or telephone or telephone service. The track of the Louisville & Nashville on the Pensacola and Atlantic division have been washed out for 30 miles and two engines and cars sent out to the quarantine station have been destroyed.

Thieves are breaking open trunks all along the beach entering unoccupied houses and stealing everything in sight. Several arrests have been made, but it is impossible to protect property under such conditions.

Five sailors from a British steamer were clinging to a roof that was washed ashore today and three others from the same vessel had been drowned.

**Dies From Injuries in Prize Ring.**

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 29.—Following a prize fight held Saturday night at Titus Hotel, Woodlawn Beach, Richard Nunson, 20 years old, one of the contestants, died yesterday. Injuries to the brain resulting from a blow behind the left ear are said to have caused the young man's death. Walter Robinson, colored, 26 years old, Nunson's opponent, was arrested.